

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the subject application, and please amend the claims as follows:

1-37. (Canceled)

38. (Currently amended) A method for securing a transversely oriented member to a flexible material portion of an endovascular graft or section thereof comprising:

- a) providing a first layer of flexible graft material;
- b) providing a flap of flexible graft material over a portion of the first layer;
- ca) disposing the transversely oriented member in proximity to a the flap in a flexible material portion of an endovascular graft or section thereof;
- db) folding the flap over at least a portion of the transversely oriented member to form a looped portion of the flap about the transversely oriented member; ~~and~~
- ee) securing the flap in the looped configuration;
- f) providing a second layer of flexible graft material;
- g) disposing the second layer over the flap and over at least a portion of the first layer; and
- h) securing the first and second layers to each other at a location distal from the flap to define a flexible material portion of an endovascular graft or section thereof.

39. (Currently amended) The method of claim 38 wherein the flap is comprised of a portion of a third layer of flexible graft material and the flap is secured to the third layer of flexible graft material.

40. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 38 wherein the flap is secured in the looped configuration with adhesive.

41. (Currently amended) The method of claim 38 wherein the flap is comprised of a portion of a the first layer of flexible material and the flap secured to a portion of a the second layer of flexible material.

42. (Currently amended) The method of claim 38 wherein the flexible graft material comprises ePTFE.

43. (Original) The method of claim 42 wherein the flap is secured in the looped configuration by thermomechanical compaction.

44. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 42 wherein the flap is secured in the looped configuration with FEP or PFA.

45. (Original) The method of claim 42 wherein the ePTFE material of the flap is sintered after being secured in the looped configuration.

46. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 62 wherein the member is a circumferentially oriented member.

47. (Currently amended) The method of claim 62 wherein the flap is comprised of a portion of a third layer of flexible graft material and the flap is secured to the third layer of flexible graft material.

48. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 62 wherein the flap is secured in the looped configuration with adhesive.

49. (Currently amended) The method of claim 62 wherein the flap is comprised of a portion of ~~a~~ the first layer of flexible material and the flap secured to a portion of ~~a~~ the second layer of flexible material.

50. (Currently amended) The method of claim 62 wherein the flexible graft material comprises ePTFE.

51. (Original) The method of claim 50 wherein the flap is secured in the looped configuration by thermomechanical compaction.

52. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 50 wherein the flap is secured in the looped configuration with FEP or PFA.

53. (Original) The method of claim 50 wherein the ePTFE material of the flap is sintered after being secured in the looped configuration.

54. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 62 wherein the member is an expandable member.

61. Claims 55 - 61 (Canceled)

62. (Currently amended) A method for securing a member to a flexible material portion of an endovascular graft or section thereof comprising:

- a) providing a first layer of flexible graft material;
- b) providing a flap of flexible graft material over a portion of the first layer;
- c) disposing the member in proximity to ~~a the flap in a flexible material portion of an endovascular graft or section thereof;~~

~~db)~~ folding the flap over at least a portion of the member to form a looped portion of the flap about the ~~transversely oriented~~ member; and

ee) securing the flap in the looped configuration;

f) providing a second layer of flexible graft material;

g) disposing the second layer over the flap and over at least a portion of the first layer; and

h) securing the first and second layers to each other at a location distal from the flap to define a flexible material portion of an endovascular graft or section thereof.

63. (Previously presented) The method of claim 62 wherein the member is a transversely oriented member.